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BY MISSION LOCAL EMPLOYEES. THE HIGHER SALARIES WERE
COMPENSATION FOR SUCH BENEFITS THE LAO GOVERNMENT GIVES
BUT WHICH DO NOT SHOW UP IN THE PAYCHECK. HE ALSO SAID
THAT USAID DISPENSED MILITARY ASSISTANCE (WHICH WE
CATEGORICALLY DENIED) AND THAT ARMS FOR "IRREGULAR FORCES"
WERE IN USAID WAREHOUSES. WE INSTANTLY OFFERED TO ZWZE
JMB VYLSOON AUTHORITY BY PHOUMI THROUGH ALL WAREHOUSES.

4. WE MADE CLEAR TO PHOUMI THAT WE WERE PREPARED TO
DISCUSS ANY MATTER RELEVANT TO AID THE PGNU WISHED
TO RAISE. WE PROPOSED THAT A JOINT WORKING GROUP BE
ORGANIZED TO CARRY OUT THESE DISCUSSIONS IN CONCRETE
AND ORDERLY WAY. WE URGED THAT WE PROCEED RAPIDLY AS
FISCAL YEAR ALMOST OVER AND DECISIONS ON NEXT YEAR'S
AID NEEDED TO BE MADE VERY SOON. HOWEVER, WE MADE CLEAR
THAT WE HAD NO AUTHORITY FROM WASHINGTON TO AGREE TO
ANYTHING. WE NEEDED TO PRESENT CONCRETE PROPOSALS BY
PGNU. WE ALSO POINTED OUT THAT THE BILATERAL AGREEMENT
WAS CONSIDERED A TREATY BETWEEN COUNTRIES AND THAT ITS
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RENEGOTIATION WAS A SUBJECT ONLY WASHINGTON COULD
AUTHORIZE.

5. FINALLY, WE ASKED PHOUMI WHETHER A PUBLIC ANNOUNCE-
MENT COULD BE MADE THAT PGNU HAD RAISED QUESTION OF AID

WITH USG AND CONVERSATIONS ON MATTER WERE UNDER WAY.

6. PHOUMI UNDERSTOOD ALL THIS AND SAID HE WOULD SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE CABINET (WHICH MEETS WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON - NEXT MEETING BEING MAY 21) AND PERHAPS HE WOULD MAKE STATEMENT TO PRESS AFTERWARDS.

7 COMMENT:

A. RAMSEY AND I BELIEVE DISCUSSIONS ON FULL RANGE OF AID RELATIONS, INCLUDING BILATERAL AGREEMENT, IS THE ONLY WAY TO PROCEED. WE BELIEVE THEY SHOULD BE UNDERTAKEN AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. TALKING OUT ISSUES SHOULD BE EDUCATIONAL FOR THE PGNU, AND HOPEFULLY RELIEVE SOME OF THE PRESSURES ON USAID. THEY WILL ALSO PROVIDE A BASIS ON WHICH WASHINGTON CAN DETERMINE OUR FUTURE RELATIONS WITH LAOS. WE HAVE IN NO WAY PREJUDICED WASHINGTON DECISIONS.

B. WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE AND SPECIFICALLY AUTHORITY THAT USG WILLING TO REVIEW THE BILATERAL AGREEMENT.

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